

--- Imported Raw Leaf (RA) - "SERIES OF 1897" - 95 x 95 mm. - at 100% scale ---

--- with **RAW LEAF** centrally inscribed in 23 mm. hollow serified Gothic letters ---

--- CANADA-F-7 - Recess printed Die Proof in black ink ---



RA-13 DP - black die proof [ CANADA-F-7 ] - 18\_\_ - from the collection of Fritz Angst



RA-13 PP - dark blue plate proof, 18\_\_, imperforate, on white proof paper mounted on light cardboard

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--- *recess printed in blue ink - on vertical mesh wove - with 4½ mm. red controls - coarse roulette* ---

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The catalogue lists this “Widow Queen” inscribed **RAW LEAF** stamp as follows:

RA-13	Recess printed in blue, <i>coarse roulette</i> , on vertical mesh thick wove, inscribed <b>RAW LEAF</b> and <b>18__</b>
RA-14	Recess printed in blue, <i>coarse roulette</i> , on vertical mesh thick wove, inscribed <b>RAW LEAF</b> and <b>19__</b>

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**RA-13** - dark blue, *coarse roulette*, control number **005005**, on *unwatermarked* vertical mesh wove, used at *Port Colborne*, Ontario, on 7 pounds of *Raw Leaf Unstemmed*, dated **18\_\_**, Entry No. 27

**005005** ★      **18\_\_**      RA-13      RAW LEAF, *coarse roulette*, used at *Port Colborne*, Ontario, on 7 lbs. of *Raw Leaf Unstemmed*

In 1897 the excise duty on imported *unstemmed* raw leaf tobacco was 10¢ per pound, while the excise duty on imported *stemmed* raw leaf tobacco was 14¢ per pound.

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In a memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* dated June 8th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the ABN plate No. 2 for the “Series of 1897” square “Raw Leaf Tobacco” stamp. The plate was defaced, and subsequently delivered to the Royal Canadian Mint as scrap - ex Chris Ryan

The nine impression plate was probably arranged as 3 x 3 stamps - JBH

In a memorandum to *D. Sims, Esq.* dated June 14th 1944, *L. A. White* and *C.R. Coombs* record the destruction of the ABN / CBN die F-77 for the “Series of 1915” square “Raw Leaf Tobacco” stamp. The die was defaced, and subsequently delivered to the “Hull Iron and Steel Works” as scrap. He provides no information about a “Roll”, or a “plate”, having been prepared from this die - ex Chris Ryan

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RA-14 - dark blue, coarse roulette, control number **091209**, on unwatermarked vertical mesh wove paper, prepared for use at **Montreal** in **1910**, Entry No. **88**, collector stamped **J. Corbeil** in violet ink

<b>021821</b> ★	<b>19__</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper, <b>Montreal</b> , on 180 pounds, Entry 7703
<b>032002</b>	<b>19__</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper, <b>Montreal</b> , on 127 pounds
<b>038258</b>	<b>1906</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper, <b>MONTREAL</b> , on 163 lbs., Entry 6260, signed by <b>J. Corbeil</b>
<b>038563</b>	<b>1906</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper, <b>MONTREAL</b> , on 163 lbs., Entry 6260, signed by <b>J. Corbeil</b>
<b>045565</b>	<b>19__</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper, <b>MONTREAL</b> , signed by <b>J. Corbeil</b>
<b>045568</b>	<b>19__</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper, <b>Montreal</b> , on 181 lbs., Entry 107, signed by <b>J. Corbeil</b>
<b>049983</b>	<b>1904</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper <b>Montreal</b> , on 132 lbs., Entry <b>2539</b> , signed by <b>J. Corbeil</b>
<b>069586</b>	<b>1914</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, on unwatermarked wove paper, <b>Quebec</b> , Entry No. 11110
<b>091209</b> ★	<b>1910</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, unwatermarked wove, <b>Montreal</b> , Entry No. 88, <b>J. Corbeil</b> Collector
<b>091224</b>	<b>1910</b>	RA-14	RAW LEAF, coarse roulette, unwatermarked wove, <b>Montreal</b> , Entry No. 88, <b>J. Corbeil</b> Collector



The collection contains the above illustrated copy of the *coarse roulette* **RA-14n CP** dated **19\_\_**, and stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. violet Gothic letters - the **CANCELLED** is suspect



The collection also contains the above illustrated copy of the *coarse roulette* **RA-14n SP**, dated **19\_\_**, Lightly roller cancelled **TOBACCO / A-20** by the tobacco merchant "C. T. Bates Co.", Ottawa

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